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following notifications of infectious diseases received during the previous month: Yellow fever 11, plague 18, variola 1,038, enteric fever 5, diphtheria 7, leprosy 3, tuberculosis 96, malarial fevers 1, measles 29, beriberi 1.

The central disinfection establishment disinfected 9,700 pieces of clothing, and destroyed by fire 1,379 articles of clothing. Up to the last day of the month 211,896 rats had been brought in and killed.

The bacteriological laboratory made 66 examinations in suspected cases of bubonic plague, and of this number 36 were thus confirmed.

The brigade against mosquitoes cleansed 3,476 localities where yellow fever deaths had occurred in previous epidemics. They also destroyed 54 foci of larvæ, and made but one visit of sanitary vigilance.

They also cleansed 62,054 ralos and 83,089 tinas, they washed out 51,331 automatic water boxes and registers, 207 water tanks, 29,629 tanques, and 2,766 other classes of water containers. In this kind of work there was expended more than 1,757 kilograms of pyrethrum, 38,491 kilograms of sulphur, 1,598 liters of alcohol, and 20 liters of petroleum.

Sixty-nine vessels were disinfected in port, and on land by means of the same style of apparatus 46 streets were cleansed, 1,409 gratings being removed, and 32 deposits of filth, in all 178 carts of filth and dirt being taken out of the rain-water conduits in these streets.

The isolation hospitals received during the month of August 655 persons ill with variola, 27 with plague, and none from yellow fever. Of those isolated, 333 cases of variola died and 7 cases of plague also proved fatal. At the end of the month there remained under treatment 314 cases of variola and 21 of plague.

The total mortality for the month was 1,836. The centigrade thermometer attained as its maximum in August 31.8°, as its minimum 14.5°, and as its average 20.86° C.

BRITISH HONDURAS.

Report from Belize, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Carson reports as follows: Week ended October 20, 1904: Present officially estimated population, 8,500; number of deaths, 8; prevailing disease, malarial fever of mild type and phthisis pulmonalis; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, fairly good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 14	Anselm. Tarstoon Belize Matador	40	3	5	0
14		35	0	1	0
20		18	0	0	0
20		35	0	1	0

CHINA.

Report from Hongkong—Plague and smallpox—Quarantine measures.

Passed Assistant Surgeon White reports, September 26, as follows: The health report for the week ended September 17, 1904, records 4 cases of plague and 4 deaths; diphtheria 1 case, 1 death; smallpox 1 case, 1 death—imported. Bankok has revoked the regulations respecting plague in Hongkong, and has revived the former practice of inspection at Peknam for quarantine at Kophai.

Emigrants recommended for rejection.

Number of emigrants per steamship *China* recommended, September 15, for rejection: For Honolulu, 6; for San Francisco, 104.

CUBA.

Report from Cienfuegos—Inspection of vessels—Malarial fever on schooner Arona from Mobile.

Acting Assistant Surgeon McMahon reports, October 25, as follows: During the week ended October 22, 1904, two vessels were inspected, with a total crew of 59, and bills of health issued to the United States, in good sanitary condition and no sickness. The schooner *Arona* arrived here from Mobile on October 17, and the captain sent two of his crew to the hospital here for treatment. One had malarial fever.

Reports from Habana—Enteric fever on steamship Morro Castle.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Echemendia reports, October 20, 26, and 27, as follows:

Week ended October 15, 1904.

Vessels inspected and bills of health issued	16
Crew of outgoing vessels inspected	665
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected.	365
Pieces of freight passed	67

Mortuary report of Habana for the week ended October 15, 1904.

Disease.	Number of deaths
Puberculosis	1
Meningitis Bronchitis	
Pneumonia Cancer	
Cachexia Diphtheria	
Enteritis Pernicious fever	

Total number of deaths, 84.

Week ended October 22, 1904.

Vessels inspected and bills of health issued	22
Crew of outgoing vessels inspected.	830
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected	450
Pieces of freight passed	876

From the Ward Line steamship *Morro Castle*, arrived at this port on October 19 from New York, 1 man of the crew was landed on the 20th suffering from enteric fever and was taken by the Cuban service to Las Animas Hospital.